<u>Amendments to the Claims</u>: This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

- (Previously Presented) A test element for diagnostic tests comprising
 at least two test units for performing at least two tests, and
 a fixing means for fixing the test element.
- 2. (Currently Amended) The test element according to claim 1 in which the fixing means is formed in such a way that the test element may be fixed to a blood <u>bag</u>bottle.
- 3. (Previously Presented) The test element according to claim 1 or claim 2 in which the fixing means is a bonding foil.
- 4. (Previously Presented) The test element according to claim 1 or claim 2 in which the fixing means is a cable tie.
- 5. (Previously Presented) The test element according to claim 1 or claim 2 in which in at least one of the at least two test units, the test result is maintained at least 45 days.
- 6. (Previously Presented) The test element according to claim 1 or claim 2 in which at least one of the at least two test elements is formed in such a way that, after the performance of the tests, no fluid emerges.
- 7. (Currently Amended) The test element according to claim 1 or claim 2 in which by means of one of the at least two test elements bottle-bag blood for blood transfusions is tested.
- 8. (Currently Amended) The test element according to claim 7 in which the test unit for bottle-bag blood comprises at least three test chambers or test fields.
- 9. (Previously Presented) The test element according to claim 8 in which three of the at least three test chambers or test fields respectively comprise anti-A, anti-B, and anti-D reagents.

- 10. (Previously Presented) The test element according to claim 1 or claim 2 in which by means of the test unit, the blood of a receptor of a blood transfusion is tested.
- 11. (Previously Presented) The test element according to claim 10 in which the test unit for the blood of a receptor comprises at least two test chambers or test fields.
- 12. (Previously Presented) The test element according to claim 11 in which two of the at least two test chambers or test fields respectively contain anti-A and anti-B reagents.
- 13. (Currently Amended) A method for testing blood during the preparation and performance of blood transfusions, wherein the method comprises the following steps:

testing bottle-bag blood by means of the first test unit of the test element according to claim 1 or claim 2;

fixing the test element on a blood bottle-bag containing the bottle-bag blood by means of the fixing means; and

testing the blood of the receptor by means of the second test unit of the test element.

14. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 13 additionally comprising after the testing of the bottle-bag blood and obtaining a first test result and after the testing of the receptor blood and obtaining a second test result, the step of comparing the test results.